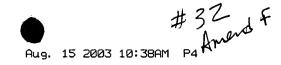
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This response regarding the above-referenced application is filed in response to the Advisory Action mailed July 21, 2003, and supplemental to the Response to Final Rejection mailed January 8, 2003, for the above-identified patent application, and is submitted before Monday, August 18, 2003, the two month anniversary of receipt of the Notice of Appeal at the USPTO falling on Saturday, August 16, 2003. Please consider and make of record the following amendments and remarks. Entry of these amendments is respectfully requested.

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